

that we support Israel's defending itself, whatever needs to be done, and if nothing else has worked, that the military means are supported by this Nation.

Instead, this administration has been snubbing Israel. He snubbed their Prime Minister previously when he came to Washington. He walked off. "I'm going to go have dinner with my family. Why don't you just stay here in the White House for the night so you can come around and do what I've demanded, and you can let me know when you get ready to do what I've demanded." Prime Minister Netanyahu appropriately didn't stay. He went to the Embassy. He didn't need to be blackmailed into anything.

I realize, you know, we're all victims of the environment in which we grew up, and if you grew up in an environment, say, for example, Chicago, where you're used to snubbing folks—you do that in France, and it's no big deal. So it's understandable that would be brought to the White House.

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But the trouble is, when you're the most powerful executive in the world, and you snub a friend, there are international implications. Things like that have been known to start wars and cost thousands and thousands of lives. Activity like that has consequences, and the world has been watching while we snubbed our ally, who has more of the same rights in their nation that we have in this one than any nation in the Middle East. And we're snubbing them? And we're trying to force them to do what they did in giving away land to southern Lebanon, giving away the Gaza Strip, not defending itself, now demanding that they show all of their weaponry? That has consequences. It can start wars.

And the reason that I've been working behind the scenes for so long trying to get people on both sides of the aisle, and I've got plenty of this side of the aisle support, and I have a few Jewish friends on the other side of the aisle that are supportive, but it wasn't enough. But now I agree with some other friends that said, you can't keep this private; you've got to put the pressure on publicly. And hopefully, Mr. Speaker, people would contact their Members of Congress and let them know that they need to get on board with the resolution that says Israel can defend itself.

Sanctions, what a lovely thing to talk about. And when you have years and years and years to work with, whether it's South Africa or somewhere, that's one thing. But when you've got centrifuges spinning, and the IAEA already tells us that Iran has probably enough enriched uranium for two nuclear weapons, and the centrifuges are still spinning, and we're still trying to talk to other nations in the world about getting on board with our sanctions, Israel is more at risk every day.

And not only have we not gotten other nations to get on board with sanctions; Russia has cut a deal. They're going to provide them their best anti-aircraft weaponry as 300 is coming to Iran. And the days are growing and building. And we're putting all the wrong pressure on our dear ally.

And some know in this body that I've been pushing, all three terms I've been here, what I title the U.N. Voting Accountability Act. One of these days I'm going to get it to the floor for a vote. I got it as an amendment. We had over 100 votes on it. That was back in 2005. I'm hoping to get it the floor as a bill at some point to bring about sanity to our foreign assistance policy.

But it basically says this: Hey, these nations around the world, you're sovereign nations. You can do whatever you want as long as it doesn't hurt us, because we'll protect ourselves. But any nation that votes against the United States position more than half the time in the U.N. won't get any financial assistance from us in the subsequent year. March 31 every year a report comes out about who voted which way on all the contested votes. You look at those, you see who voted against our position more than half the time and you just say, fine; that's your position. We are not going to keep paying people to hate us. We have found we can get people to hate us for free. And we don't have to get taxpayers to keep paying taxes to pay people to hate us when they'll do it for free.

We're paying Israel's enemies about as much as we're supporting Israel with. It's a big mistake.

One thought I had that would be a clear image to the world, and I appreciate the few friends across the aisle that have said they have supported the idea, and that is, we need an image, a visual image going to the rest of the world so they know, there may be a little bickering with our friend, our close ally Israel. But when people saw both sides of this aisle standing and applauding Prime Minister Netanyahu in a joint session, then they would get the picture; hey, we may fuss among ourselves, but we will defend them.

There are still some historians that believe that it was Secretary of State Acheson saying basically that Korea was beyond our sphere of influence, which led, and apparently Korea was already massing forces. But you can't help but wonder if once they heard that that's beyond our sphere of influence, we won't come to South Korea's aid, that's when the Korean War started. You start wars, oftentimes, when the strongest friend snubs their ally, then enemies of that ally think they can act against that ally without the strong supporter stepping forward.

And we need to let the world know that Israel is still our friend. They still vote with us more than way over 90 percent of the rest of the people in the U.N., and a friend like that is a friend we ought to support. And you won't get peace until you show you're willing to

stand up against the bad guys. And then the bad guys understand that and you have peace for a while.

But, Mr. Speaker, I see my time has expired, so I appreciate your indulgence tonight.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today and the balance of the week on account of a death in the family.

Ms. RICHARDSON (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today on account of primary election in the district.

Mr. CARTER (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of travel delays.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WEINER, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. POE of Texas) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today, June 9, 10, and 11.

Mr. POE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today, June 9, 10, 11, 14, and 15.

Mr. JONES, for 5 minutes, today, June 9, 10, 11, 14, and 15.

Mr. MORAN of Kansas, for 5 minutes, today, June 9, 10, 11, 14, and 15.

Mr. LATTA, for 5 minutes, June 9.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, for 5 minutes, June 10.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 5330. An act to amend the Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act of 2004 to extend the operation of such Act, and for other purposes.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House reports that on May 28, 2010 she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill:

H.R. 5128. To designate the United States Department of the Interior Building in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Stewart Lee Udall Department of the Interior Building".

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House reports that on June 1, 2010 she